

# BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

## One Hundred Years Ago.

### CARSON TRIAL.

The trial of Mrs. Carson and her mother and associates for conspiracy against the Governor of Pennsylvania closed on the 25th inst. and the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

### MARINE STABS SAILOR.

A marine by the name of Bevans has been apprehended at Boston for stabbing a sailor with his sword on board the Independence, 74, and committed for trial.

### THE JEWS.

One of the first subjects to be decided by the Diet of Frankfurt (says a late London paper) relates to the political rights of the Jews. That cruel policy as pursued with respect to the Jews was on the point of being abandoned forever. To have been for so many ages, without a country or home—to find no spot in all the world their own; to be the only people who did not inhabit the birthplace of their ancestors—this surely is a fate hard and bitter and severe enough.

A Paris article of September 24th says:—The Memorial Reliquaire announces that 20,000 Jews of the district of Mantua have addressed petitions to the Emperor of Austria in favor of their brethren who they assert are still persecuted in Piedmont and in the States of Germany.

### IMPROBABLE RUMOR.

A Spanish vessel bound to Havana having despatches from the district of Mantua, the captain of which informed that the Spanish government had declared war against the United States.

## Fifty Years Ago.

### LIGHTNING KILLS STEERS.

We learn that a pair of steers belonging to Mr. William Beers in Newtown and valued at \$250 were killed by lightning during the showers on Wednesday July 25th.

### BASEBALL.

The game will be played on the grounds near the factory of Wheeler & Wilson company in East Bridgeport on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The players will be the first nines of the Eureka and American clubs.

### CHANGE OF TIME.

On and after to-morrow the excursion steamer Allice E. Preston will leave here at 10:30 o'clock instead of 9 o'clock a. m. as heretofore. This will enable parties coming from the Housatonic and Naugatuck roads to take the forenoon boat to Charles Island.

### SUDDEN DEATHS.

On Sunday a daughter of Mr. Bradley the postmaster in Southport died and was buried on Tuesday. The daughter was a young lady nearly 17.

## Attorney Melittz Gets Typhoid on Vacation in Duluth

Attorney Melittz, of the law firm of Goldstein & Melittz is confined to his home 274 Spruce street with typhoid fever. Melittz was recently upon a vacation visiting Duluth, Minneapolis and other western cities. Upon his return to Bridgeport he complained of feeling ill but persisted against the advice of his friends in attending to his duties.

Attorney Melittz was finally compelled to call Dr. C. C. Patterson who immediately pronounced him to be suffering from typhoid fever. At the home today it was said that he is somewhat improved.

## Acting Coroner Won't Investigate Drowning

Deputy Coroner Henry C. Stevenson has decided not to make any investigation into the deaths of Michael McGrath and Julia Dohi, who were drowned last week. McGrath, on July 18 fell backward from a scow on which he was working in the Housatonic river. Medical Examiner Cogswell of Stratford found that death was accidental.

## TALK OF STONE FOR G. O. P. ALDERMANIC NOMINATION IN SECOND

At a gathering of Republicans of the Second District Sunday, the name of James Stone, former commissioner of charities was proposed as candidate for alderman on the Republican ticket in that district. Mention of Mr. Stone's name is said to have met with instant favor at the gathering. Mr. Stone and Joseph Keating, the former basketball player are being considered. The term of William P. Corr, Democrat, from this district expires in November. He will be nominated to succeed himself if he desires a second term, and his friends say his nomination is equivalent to election.

## CLOSE CONGRESS STREET BRIDGE FOR REPAIRS

To make necessary repairs the Congress street bridge will be closed to all traffic during the hours of 1:30 a. m. to 4:30 a. m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

## REGISTRARS' NOTICE

The Registrars of Voters will be in session at their office, Room 4, City Hall, State street, from Friday, August 4th, to Saturday, August 12th, inclusive, (Sunday excepted) from 12 o'clock noon until 9 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of enrolling those electors who may desire to participate in the primaries to be held after August, 1916.

The Registrars will retain the names of those electors heretofore appearing on the primary list, unless requested to transfer or erase same.

JAMES H. ROONEY,

WILLIAM LOUNSBURY,

General Registrars of Voters.

# SWIFT & CO.'S EMPLOYEES WILL HAVE PENSIONS

Employees Not Taxed at All for Great Fund Provided by Meat Syndicate.

## MANY BRIDGEPORTERS SHARE IN BENEFITS

After Six Years of Consideration, Plan Is Formally Announced Today.

Two million dollars was the gift made by Swift & Company to their employees yesterday. Announcement of the accumulation of this sum during the past six years in the form of a pension fund occasioned much gratification to workers in the plants and branch houses in all cities where it was made simultaneously. It is estimated that more than 30,000 men and women are eligible, in time, to come under the provisions of the fund, which becomes active August 1.

One of the striking features of the plan as outlined is that the employees do not contribute to the fund, the company furnishing absolutely all money needed to pay pensions. In this connection it is expected that Swift & Company will be called upon to pay \$400,000 a year in addition to the income from the fund, in order to meet the demands.

## Twenty Years Ago.

**BOATS AT BEARDSLEY PARK.**  
President Sherwood of the Hydraulic company has issued an order that hereafter no boats will be allowed on Bunnell's pond near Beardsley park, and in consequence thereof pleasure seekers at the resort have been disappointed.

Ever since the catastrophe which resulted in the death of Phil Dooley by drowning, the officers of the water company which owns the pond have been considering the advisability of discontinuing boating in the river.

**THAT ASPHALT CONVENTION.**  
There is a feeling about the city hall that the deadlock in the board of public works over the asphaltizing contract for Fairfield avenue and State street will be dissolved next Friday, and that a settlement will be made. No intimation is given of what the settlement will be, or how it will be accomplished.

**LICENSE MONEY DIVIDED.**  
The county commissioners to-day made a division of the license money received during the month of July. Bridgeport gets \$5,814.

**READY FOR OPERATION.**  
Police Commissioner Baldwin was at the Central police station this morning and said the new police signal system would probably be operated for the first time next Wednesday.

## PERSONAL NOTES.

C. D. Wallace and wife and C. D. Walker and wife took their departure this afternoon on their annual outing. They will visit Newport Boston and Pigeon Cove.

W. D. Hayden and daughter Edith leave to-day for the Berkshires hills where they will spend the month of August.

## WEALTHY WOMAN FARMER OF GOSHEN DIES, LEAVING SPECULATION OVER RICHES

Goshen, Aug. 1. — Miss Louise Thompson, who died here last week was reputed to be the wealthiest woman in Goshen. Some say she was worth \$100,000, but others say it is improbable that she had amassed more than one-half that amount. Part of this sum was left by her father, the late James E. Thompson, but much of it she had acquired through business-like management of her very excellent farm, conducted successfully by herself and by her father before her. After his death she specialized in raising calves for the market, and is said to have made a great deal of money in this business. For many years her foreman was Henry J. Mansfield. The latter died about three years ago, and it was shortly thereafter that Miss Thompson decided to dispose of the family homestead and move to a smaller place.

During the many years that she was engaged in farming she regularly drove to Torrington to deliver produce and to look after her business interests there. She paid but scant attention to her dress, and invariably wore an old-fashioned bonnet and a scarlet fascinator. She had the reputation of being extremely frugal, never spending money for luxuries, and was known as a shrewd business woman.

A few months ago, one of her nieces Mrs. North Clark, applied for a conservator over her on the ground that she was unable to look after her own interests but at the hearing which was held in the probate court Miss Thompson introduced many witnesses who testified to her ability and business acumen. In her own behalf she said:

"I earned this money which I possess and nobody has a right to take it from me. If I didn't have a few dollars, these people would not be so anxious about a conservator. My relatives haven't been to see me for forty years and some of them wouldn't speak to me on the street but now they think I'm going to die pretty soon and they want all my money. They won't get a cent."

The hearing resulted in the refusal of the application by Judge W. A. Roraback.

Miss Thompson leaves one sister, Mrs. Mary Hurlbut, widow of E. J. Hurlbut of Goshen, and three nieces, Miss Robinson, who was with her when she died, Mrs. Hubert S. Scofield of Goshen, and Mrs. North Clark of Litchfield.

## DEMOCRATIC CLUBS PLAN FOR OUTINGS

Alderman Frank J. Clancy of the Fourth District will give a sheep roast and outing in Columbus park on Sunday, August 13th.

The Fifth District Democratic club is arranging for an outing to be held late in August. The officers of the club are: George Hawkins, president; Thomas Kelly, vice-president and P. D. Scully, secretary and treasurer. The outing will be given in Columbus park.

**FUNERAL BOUQUETS AND DESIGNS.**  
JOHN RECK & SON.



Goodness, gracious, mercy me! Jim's going to bring home guests for dinner and there is not a thing in the house—I know! I'll phone the grocer quick!—for D&C—and we'll have hot pudding and rolls—they'll like that.

**D&C**  
Is the Flour for me  
SELF-RISING

# LOCAL SCOTS WILL ATTEND GATHERING OF SCOTTISH CLANS

Bridgeport Pipers Will Head Clan Campbell—All Will Wear Plaids.

Seventy-five members of Clan Campbell, No. 24, Order of Scottish Clans, wearing plaids, bonnets and tartan, will attend "The Gathering of the Clans," which will be held at Lighthouse Point, New Haven, on Saturday. The Bridgeport clansmen will be headed by the Bridgeport Scotch Highland Pipe Band and will make a short parade here before starting for New Haven. John J. Broadbent of this city will be marshal. He, like all other members of the band will wear full Scottish costume with kilts. These costumes were made in Scotland and imported especially for the band which is under the leadership of Pipe Major Thompson.

As a compliment of John Robinson who has been an indefatigable worker in the interest of Clan Campbell, the tartan of the Robinson clan has been adopted by the band. The parade will start at 4:30 o'clock and the line of march will be through Cannon street to Broad street, to Fairfield avenue, to Courtland street, to State street, to Main street, to Gold street, to the railroad station. Members of the Daughters of Scotia and the wives and women friends of members of the clan will accompany them to New Haven. Special cars will be provided for the party on the train leaving here at 10:15.

At New Haven station members of the clans from other cities will join Clan Campbell and the band and there will be a parade about the principal streets of New Haven. Trolley cars will convey the marchers to Lighthouse Point for the reunion and field day games. Family parties and shore dinners will be enjoyed there.

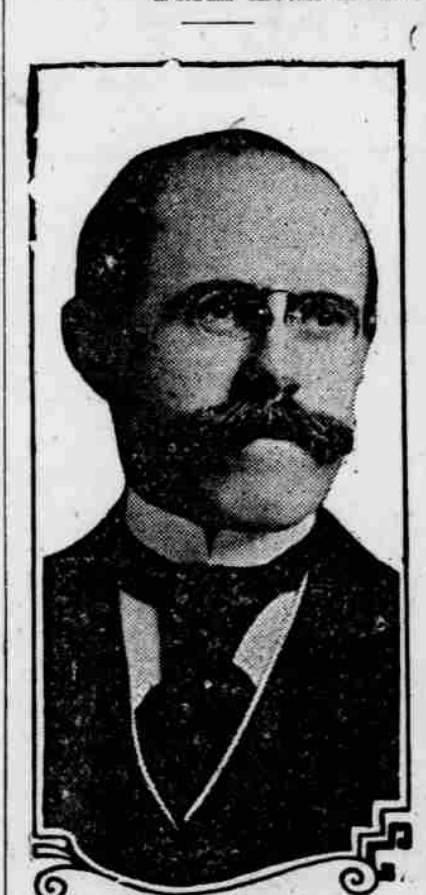
The famous Gordon-Fraser troupe of Highland dancers has been engaged as an extra attraction and will be seen in Scottish reels, Highland fling, saile-ore hornpipe, Irish jig and other dances. There will be five-a-side football games with prizes for the winners. Past Chief Charles Henderson of Farmington, will have charge of the athletic events.

The following are the games and events to take place:  
Putting the shot, throwing the hammer, high jump, vaulting with the pole, 100 yard dash, throwing 56 pound weight, hop, step and jump, bagpipe competition, bagpipe competition, confined to players who never won a prize in open competition, boys' race, under 15 years, girls' race, under 15 years, highland fling, under 15 sword dance, under 18 years, three legged race, quilting contest, clansmen's race, Daughters of Scotia, potato and spoon race, football matches, best dressed Highlander, one prize.

Cash prizes or medals will be given the winners. Walter Scott of Butler Bros. New York city has donated 10 gold and 10 silver medals as part of the prizes. Pipe Major Thompson will take part in the bagpipe competition and his two little daughters will compete in the dances. The committee of arrangements is James Mustarde, chairman, 411 Winthrop avenue, New Haven; H. Benzie, secretary, 2 Kensington place, Meriden; William A. MacAlpine, treasurer, 75 Central avenue, Waterbury; Charles Henderson, Farmington; George P. Barrie, 142 Hoffman street, Torrington; Donald Nicholson, 1049 Williams street, Bridgeport; A. Battersby, 153 Elm street, Stamford; Andrew Downie, 443 Church street, New Britain; Past Chiefs R. C. Bruce and Duncan Urquhart, delegates-at-large.

The Board of Health at Ridgefield Park, N. J., has offered 25 cents for each full sized cat and 10 cents for each kitten found at large in the borough.

G. W. Norris Appointed To the New Federal Farm Loan Board



GEORGE W. NORRIS

George W. Norris, appointed to membership on the new federal farm loan board by President Wilson, is a well known citizen of Philadelphia. He is a Democrat in politics. Mr. Norris inherited a large fortune and retired from business to devote himself to public work. After being graduated from the University of Pennsylvania he was successively a newspaper man, a lawyer and a banker. He was a member of Mayor Blankenburg's cabinet, serving the city as director of wharves, docks and ferries and is a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia.

## CANNING FRUIT WITHOUT SUGAR

Fruit for use in pie or salads or as stewed fruit can be put up or canned without the use of any sugar at all, according to the canning specialists of the Department. They, therefore, advise those who, because of the high price of sugar, have been thinking of reducing the amount of fruit they put up, to can as much of their surplus as possible by the use of boiling water when sugar sirup is beyond their means or tin cans until they are full; use the handle of a tablespoon, wooden ladle, or table knife for packing purposes. Pour over the fruit boiling water from a kettle, place rubbers and caps in position, partially seal if using glass jars, seal completely if using tin cans. The contents of jars in a sterilizing vat such as a wash boiler with false bottom, or other receptacle improvised for the purpose. If using a hot water bath outfit process for 30 minutes; count time after the water has reached the boiling point; the water must cover the highest jar in the container. After sterilizing remove packs, seal glass jars, wrap in paper to prevent bleaching and store in a dry, cool place.

If you are canning in tin cans it will improve the product to plunge the cans quickly into cold water immediately after sterilization. When using a steam pressure canner instead of the hot water bath, sterilize for 10 minutes with five pounds of steam pressure. Never allow the pressure to go over 10 pounds.

## TREATY BLOCKS WAR

Paris, Aug. 1.—The only reason which has so far prevented Germany from declaring war on Italy, says the Petit Parisien, is a commercial treaty signed between the two countries in 1891 and renewed in 1904. This treaty subordinated Italy to Germany economically, according to the paper, and was considered of the greatest importance by Germany. The Parisien says that it understands Italy has now denounced this treaty and thereby left the way clear for a declaration of hostilities.

William Karlin, attorney for the Paper Box Makers' union of New York, said that 5,000 girls employed in paper box factories will go on strike this week.

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AUGUST 2, 1916

Small Bluefish . . . . . 18c lb.  
Small Fresh Mackerel . . . . . 15c lb.

Fresh Porgies . . . . . 10c lb	Sea Bass . . . . . 12c lb
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Butterfish . . . . . 12c lb	Opened Long Clams . . . . . 25c qt
Steamers . . . . . 8c qt	Pink Salmon . . . . . 10c can
Bonita Mackerel 10c can	Shad . . . . . 10c can
Wet or Dry Shrimp . . . . . 10c can	French Sardines 30c can

## BAKERY

Molasses Sponge Cake . . . . . 8c each  
Snow Flake Biscuits . . . . . 8c dozen

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Fancy Creamery Tub Butter . . . . . 34c lb

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# Americanism Plank Of The Democrats

The part that the United States will play in the new day of international relationships, which is now upon us, will depend upon our preparation and our character. The Democratic party, therefore, recognizes the assertion and triumphant demonstration of the individuality and coherent strength of the nation as the supreme issue of this day in which the whole world faces the crisis of manifold change. It summons all men, of whatever origin or creed, who would count themselves Americans to join in making clear to all the world the unity and consequent power of America.

This is an issue of patriotism. To taint it with partisanship would be to defile it. In this day of test, America must show itself not a nation of partisans, but a nation of patriots. There is gathered here in America the best of the blood, the industry and the genius of the whole world, the elements of a great race and a magnificent society to be melted into a mighty and splendid nation.

Whoever, actuated by the purpose to promote the interest of a foreign power, in disregard of our own country's welfare or to injure this Government in its foreign relations or to cripple its industries at home, and whoever by arousing prejudices of a racial, religious or other nature, creates discord and strife among our people so as to obstruct the wholesome process of unification, is faithless to the trust which the privileges of citizenship repose in him and disloyal to his country.

We, therefore, condemn as subversive of this nation's unity and integrity, and as destructive of its welfare, the activities and designs of every group or organization, political or otherwise, that has for its object the advancement of the interest for a foreign power, whether party, or representatives of the people, or which is calculated and tends to divide our people into antagonistic groups and thus to destroy that complete agreement and solidarity of the people and that unity of sentiment and national purpose so essential to the perpetuity of the nation and its free institutions.

We condemn all alliances and combinations of individuals in this country of whatever nationality or descent, who agree and conspire together for the embarrassing or weakening our Government or of improperly influencing or coercing our public representatives in dealing or negotiating with any foreign power. We charge that such conspiracies among a limited number exist and have been instigated for the purpose of advancing the interests of foreign countries to the prejudice and detriment of our own country. We condemn any political party which, in view of the activity of such conspirators, surrenders its integrity or modifies its policy.

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